

MOTOR CAR NEWS

Keynote for 1914 is "Greater Comfort."

Some Notable Features of the New Models.

POP-POP MEN AT CHICAGO

Several Topekans Attended Big Convention in Coliseum.

Some Personal Notes of Local Automobilists.

Each former automobile season has had a single keynote. For 1914, however, it may be said that there is not just one new point that all makers have taken up. If there is any one thing that stands out as a tendency, it is that of making the automobile more comfortable for its passengers at a lower cost.

Where once demountable rims figured as an extra equipment, they are now the rule. Such things as power tire pumps, one-man tops, electric headlight dimmers and quickly adjustable rain curtains, are typical of what is being done to make the new automobile more habitable. Instead of having to carry an air bottle or else go to the great effort of pumping tires by hand devices, it is now possible to make the motor do the work.

As one man said about power dumping devices on motor trucks, as contrasted with hand operating devices:

Save Hand Labor.
"I cannot see the logic of letting 30 to 50 horsepower stand idle in the truck plant while the chauffeur works a dumping or hoisting device by hand."

This is the same thing that appeals now to many car owners. They can not see where they come in to do the back-breaking work of pumping tires, when there is a great big hulk of a lazy motor standing by.

Another development in building automobiles is the placing of the operating switches and buttons on boards close to the hand of the operator. A part of this tendency is the idea of hiding as much as is possible of the wiring and mechanism and leave exposed only the control buttons and the lever. This makes a more workmanlike job of the car, and at the same time takes account of the comfort of the motorist.

On the mechanical side, it may be said that the number of six cylinder cars tend to increase rather than decrease. The tendency is towards smaller sizes, such as are called light sizes and little sixes.

Prices Generally Lower.
These points, together with a tendency to lower prices slightly, or else to give more value for the same money as before constitute the outstanding new features for 1914. It is summed up by one technical writer after having looked over the announcements of about sixty-five makers, that:

"Light sizes, light cars, complete electrification and better equipment, automatic gear shifts, better carburetion and the introduction of the cycle car are to be the program for the American motor car industry for 1914. The cars will show a healthy, though not radical growth in design and equipment."

As to statistics, it appears that of sixty makers announcing their cars, fifty include sixes and eighteen of these fifty state for the first time. Of these, two are new makers who can make their debut with light sixes. Six of the eighteen four cylinder converts have dropped their four altogether. On this basis 33 per cent. of the makers will have sixes for 1914.

Price reductions this year have averaged in the neighborhood of 50 per cent. Twenty-two makers announced the left drive for the first time. Nineteen makers have center control with the rear shift lever; five concerns have the electric gear shift levers, and two have adopted the two speed rear axles.

F. M. Welton returned Wednesday night from Chicago, where in company with Irwin Keller, Winifred Grammon and George Brummitt, he attended the National Motorcycle association's convention held in the Coliseum. There were 131 exhibitors having displays there and the big hall was crowded all the time. Mr. Welton says it was the greatest meeting of its kind ever held. The convention days were November 3-8 inclusive. Mr. Welton did not stay for the entire meeting and so beat the other Topekans home.

Dr. Franklin D. Walsworth is planning a trip to the great lakes in his Hupmobile next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKeever have returned from an overland trip to Leavenworth.

Frank Conwell, the North Topeka undertaker, has purchased a Jackson Olympia.

The Cathedral club football team is going to Rossville today in automobiles. The players will make the trip in three machines.

Nevan Foltz, of Wakarusa, bought a Jackson Olympia this week.

The proposed new highway between Topeka and Lawrence that is being planned by Shawnee and Douglas county farmers, should tend to increase the auto traffic with Kansas City.

E. R. Baines, of Meriden, this week received a Buick Model 25. The purchase was made through the Capital Auto & Supply company. This company also put in stock this week a Buick Model 27.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Stansfield will drive to Kansas City in their Starford car Monday.

A number of Topeka autists will motor to Lawrence Saturday to see the Washburn-K. U. football game. M. C. Porter, Dr. A. H. Hogeboom and L. M. Jones are among those who have already declared their intentions.

A. A. Hurd this week purchased a Chicago electric through the J. F. Billings' Auto company. This company has just sold a Starford to H. B. Dugan of

Perry, and another to Samuel Cunningham, of this city, and a Little Four to Clyde Denning.

FOR THAT COMPANY.

Meeting Called for Tomorrow to Organize Topeka Guards.

Art Hargis, who is behind a plan for forming a company of the Kansas National Guards at Topeka, has called a meeting for organization Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the headquarters of the Second Regiment band over the Swan bakery on East Sixth avenue.

According to Mr. Hargis, who was with the Twentieth Kansas regiment in the Philippines, and who will serve as captain of the new company, 25 men have already promised to enlist in the company and many others are contemplating following suit.

Hargis is looking for a call to go down to Mexico in the next 30 or 40 days and is desirous of completing the formation of the company as rapidly as possible. Several good places have been left open for men of experience. Charles Rice, who was also with the Twentieth regiment, will serve as first lieutenant.

NATIONAL REPORT.

On Conservation Showing to Be Made November 12.

Washington, Nov. 2.—The first national report on conservation, showing just what has been accomplished in the various states, is to be made on November 12, the day before the opening of the big conservation congress here. The report will be made by a new organization called the National Association of Conservation, Commerce, with representation from all the states.

This is the first time since the historic conference of governors at the White House five years ago, at which the conservation movement was started, that a national report has been undertaken. Dr. George W. Conrad of Lincoln, Neb., is president of the new association, which is to meet each year with the congress.

Prospect of heated discussion on the subject of forestry has brought requests from all parts of the country for the privilege of the floor. The congress has accepted the challenge of the Oregon Development league for a debate on the subject.

HE WILL BE GOOD.

Stenographer Is Banished and Peace Reigns With Sharpe.

Promising to be good, C. L. Sharpe, 734 Topeka avenue, has overcome his wife's scruples and induced her to withdraw all prosecutions against him. Alice Dougherty, the stenographer seen by Mrs. Sharpe upon her husband's knee, will be banished to parts unknown. The withdrawal of the prosecution, through the plaintiff's attorneys, J. J. Schenck and Hazen & Gaw, means the dissolution of her petition for alimony and the custody of her child, her request that a receiver be appointed to assume control of her husband's business, and elimination of Mr. Sharpe's motion that the restraining order issued against him be dissolved.

Mrs. Sharpe's sensational charges against her husband were withdrawn this morning in the first division of the district court.

FARMER FINED \$500.

Shot Into a Trolley Car After Being Ejected by Conductor.

Decatur, Ill., Nov. 2.—Lynn Leggett, a wealthy Wapella farmer, was fined \$500 and costs by Judge Hill at Clinton for shooting at L. L. Gibbons of Decatur, conductor on an Illinois traction system car recently. Leggett, it was charged, raised a disturbance and was put off the car. He whipped out a revolver and fired at the conductor and the bullet perforated the door. The case attracted considerable attention in this section of the state.

SOLD 300 TICKETS.

Big Attendance From Topeka at the K. U.-Blue Game Today.

Topeka and Washburn is well represented at Lawrence this afternoon for the Washburn-K. U. game, the State Journal having sold nearly 300 tickets to the game. The team and a number of students went down on the Union Pacific this morning and a great many people motored, but the majority of the crowd took the Santa Fe which left Topeka at 1:25.

FOOTBALL IN COLORADO

Important to Rocky Mountain Conference Championship.

Denver, Nov. 2.—Colorado College meets the Colorado School of Mines here today in a game that will have an important bearing on the Rocky Mountain conference championship.

Driven Into Port.

Houghton, Mich., Nov. 2.—Lake Superior has been swept for the last 15 hours by a gale that has driven all severe storm of the winter. There also was a heavy snowfall, reaching eight inches here. The weather bureau reports that the wind reached a velocity of 68 miles an hour.

Want Their Share.

Full River, Mass., Nov. 2.—The unions of carders, weavers and slasher tenders of the local cotton mills will meet next Wednesday night to formulate a demand for a general increase in wages. Labor leaders claim that the aggregate dividend payment of 30 local textile corporations, \$1,029,000 in the last quarter indicate that the manufacturers are able to pay higher wages.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy during the sickness and at the death of our beloved daughter and sister, also for the beautiful flowers.

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MR. and MRS. V. E. BIGHAM,
MR. and MRS. E. BIGHAM.
(Adv.)

WASHINGTON NOTES.

Davidson Gets \$5,000 Job—A Good Murdock Story.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Dr. William M. Davidson, former superintendent of the Topeka public schools, has been accepted by the District of Columbia and accepted the superintendency of the public schools of that city. His annual salary of \$5,000, which is an increase of \$2,000 from his salary at Topeka, is a national capital. He is considered one of the greatest educators of the country.

At one time Dr. Davidson was city editor of the Emporia (Kan.) Daily Gazette, William Allen White's paper.

If you had been in Washington the 22nd of September you might have seen tawny-tinted Victor Murdock, leader of the Progressive party in the house of representatives, on his way to the Cook school in Washington with his little 7-year-old daughter by his side.

It was the first of school and little Miss Murdock was going to enter the first grade. It was her debut into public school circles.

Now, the Cook school is an imposing edifice, said to be one of the finest examples of school structure in the country. Everything about it is imposing—big front steps, the entry, the assembly hall. But most imposing of all was the gentleman whom Congressman Murdock charged in thirteen indictments with embezzlement of \$6,215 from the city. E. Fred Gerold, city treasurer during the Lambert administration, charged in six indictments with holding \$50,000 of city funds from his successor; in ten indictments with embezzling \$16,215; in 24 indictments with unlawfully engaging in city contracts.

John J. Faulkner, former comptroller, charged in seven indictments with the embezzlement of \$2,410 of the \$16,215; William R. Rodenberger, who succeeded Faulkner, as comptroller, charged in six indictments with the embezzlement of \$3,815 of the \$16,215.

Lester J. Grigsby, present chief of detectives, charged in one indictment with robbery by force and intimidation. Fred Moore, secretary to the chief of police, charged jointly with Grigsby. The following members of the city council charged with unlawfully engaging in city contracts: Rudolph Huchle, Claus E. Tietje, William H. Degen.

Among the Kansans in Washington are: J. H. Finley, Oswego; George J. Miller, Pittsburg; Fred M. Owen, Lawrence.

BEERS IS HERE.

The Preacher Ready to Face His Trial Next Monday.

Wilbur F. Beers, charged with the murder of his wife, has arrived in Topeka, ready for trial on Monday morning, and is, according to his attorneys, in a confident frame of mind. There is a possibility the case will be postponed next week. Several of the most important witnesses will be unable to be present. C. D. Wellman, stenographer in the first division, may ask time to transcribe his notes. Much of the testimony given at the last trial will be read. After his trial at the last term of court resulted in a hung jury, Beers went to Montana, where he spent the summer.

Mr. Wellman, Otto Hunsate and J. J. Schenck for the defense, and John Switzer for the state, drove to Wakarusa yesterday to take the testimony of Mrs. George Keel, who is ill. Mrs. Keel knew the Beerses intimately, asserted that Mrs. Beers was subject to hysteria and was, in her opinion, mentally unbalanced.

COMING OF BRYAN.

The Secretary Has His Dates Mixed in a Telegram.

The date of the big Democratic banquet to be held in Topeka the first of the year is waiting the pleasure of William Jennings Bryan, secretary of state. Bryan is waiting for a telegram received in the city today the politician wants the dinner held on the Sabbath. January 1 was the day figured on by Jayhawk Democrats to congregate in the capital city. Mr. Bryan wired N. H. Wolf, 914 Huntington street, here is in charge of preparing the banquet. "Unable to come January 1," read the telegram, "think I could arrange to be in Topeka January 4."

"That's Sunday," puzzled Mr. Wolf. "I think Mr. Bryan must mean January 2. The situation is in the air at present. We're not to get in communication with him again. Mr. Bryan is to be the principal speaker at the banquet."

HIGHLAND PARK NOTES

The Junco club will meet this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith on Ohio avenue. The program will be a mock trial.

Miss Hazel Saddleire will return to Emporia to the State Normal Sunday, having spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Saddleire.

Miss Marjorie Young of Richland, is the guest of Mrs. E. C. Caverly while attending the Teachers' association.

The Clover Hill Ladies Aid society will hold an all day meeting next Wednesday with Mrs. Jas. Stevenson of Virginia avenue.

Misses Clarice and Ruth Zirkle of South Kansas avenue spent Thursday and Friday with Miss Pearl Shaul.

Mrs. Geo. W. Berry and her mother, Mrs. J. Clark spent Thursday with Mrs. C. Berry of East Sixth street.

Mrs. Bentley and Mrs. Moser of North Topeka visited Thursday with Mrs. T. Parrish.

Geo. Porter and son Harold spent Friday in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Parrish attended a dinner party Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Oliver of North Topeka.

The next regular meeting of the H. P. Grange will be held November 11. An old fashioned spelling match will take the place of a program.

AT THE PICTURE HOUSES

The Irish.

The new cameragraph at the Iris, installed and operated today for the first time, threw upon the screen the beautiful picture of Mary Pickford in "The Bishop's Carriage" in one smooth continuous performance, as if the dainty little actress performed upon the stage before the audience. Today is the last opportunity to see the picture. Next week the bill for Monday and Tuesday at the Iris will start with "The Two Sergeants" and a formula story and beautifully told. It deals with the honor of true soldiers, their fidelity to family and friends, the courage required to substitute one's self for another when that substitution means suffering. It deals with the love of a true woman and what she can do to save a man from disgrace and death.

SERVIAN CHURCHES ORGANIZE.

Ask Metropolitan for Archbishop and Promotion of Priests.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—For the purpose of placing them under the supervision of the home church, 100 orthodox Servian churches of the United States have been formed into a permanent

organization. This was made known last night at the conclusion of a week's convention of representatives and priests from affected congregations.

An appeal will be made to the Metropolitan archdiocese to send an archbishop to this country or raise one of the American priests to the archbishopric. The present plan is to have a Servian school connected with each of the 100 churches which will form the contemplated archdiocese.

INDICTED FOR GRAFT.

Seventy-Seven Counts Against Nine Officials and Former Officials.

St. Louis, Nov. 2.—Seventy-seven indictments were returned today against nine officials and former officials of East St. Louis by the grand jury that has been investigating charges of municipal graft.

Most of the men indicted today were indicted in October and in the same grand jury made a partial report. All together, twenty officials or former officials have been indicted as a result of the investigation. Those indicted today follow: Charles S. Lambert, mayor in 1911 and 1912, charged in thirteen indictments with embezzlement of \$6,215 from the city. E. Fred Gerold, city treasurer during the Lambert administration, charged in six indictments with holding \$50,000 of city funds from his successor; in ten indictments with embezzling \$16,215; in 24 indictments with unlawfully engaging in city contracts.

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STREET IS BLOWN UP

Manhole Covers Hurling Upward and Windows Shattered.

New York, Nov. 2.—The upper Broadway automobile district was shaken today by a series of explosions which sent manhole covers hurling upward from the streets and shattered many windows in hotels and garages. Accumulated gasoline waste from the numerous garages in the neighborhood is believed to have been the cause. Flames shot up from each manhole and the fire department was called out, uselessly, for water had no effect on the burning oil. No one was hurt, but pedestrians fled from the streets and automobiles broke the speed laws to get out of danger.

DO MAILING EARLY.

Effort to Get Christmas Presents Through on Time.

Washington, Nov. 2.—"Mail your Christmas parcels early." This notice in big letters will be posted in every postoffice in the country at the instance of Postmaster General Burleson, who proposes to see that all Christmas parcels shall be delivered to patrons before Christmas day if possible.

On the first Christmas season of the post system in use at home, officials propose to see that every package shall be handled expeditiously so that there is no possibility of congestion. They believe they can give the public quick and accurate transportation and delivery of parcels only by aid by mailing their Christmas parcels early.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

John M. Child died in Chicago Friday. He formerly lived here and was employed as a draughtsman by the Santa Fe. He was born October 25, 1879. Mr. Child is survived by his wife and two daughters, fathers and two sisters. His father will arrive in Topeka Sunday with the body. The funeral will be held in Penwell's chapel at 3 o'clock Sunday. Interment will be in the Topeka cemetery.

Mrs. Jennie M. Rickert, an old resident of Topeka, died Friday at the Mother Bickerdike home at Ellsworth. She formerly lived in Topeka and is well known here. The funeral will be held in Penwell's chapel at 2:30 o'clock Monday.

Angeline Sims, 66 years old, died this morning at 9:15 o'clock at her home, 1311 Jackson street. The funeral arrangements have not been completed but will be announced later.

McAdoo Praised Bullard.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Secretary McAdoo has written a letter of commendation to Captain F. C. Bullard of the revenue cutter Androscooggin in praise of the recent removal of the burned British steamer Leptemore from the paths of trans-Atlantic steamships and the towing of the derelict to Boston.

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SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Look ahead—order Banquet Flour—Adv.

Members of Topeka high school football team went to Lawrence today to attend the Washburn-Kansas university football game.

Police Officer Hill interrupted the celebrators of a Russian wedding last night when he seized sixty gallons of beer addressed to 121 North Chandler street. The beer was taken to police station.

The \$5,000 residence planned by Frank Squires for Dr. O. F. Marcotte, will not be constructed until spring, according to The Construction News. The residence will be erected at 107 Huntington street.

The charter from the American Federation of Labor for the Union Label League has been received by Secretary Maunsel and a meeting will be held Monday evening at Council hall, 615 Kansas avenue, third floor.

Beginning Monday, refunds on water deposits will no longer be made from the office of the water department on the first floors of the city hall. Instead the refunding will be done through the city clerk's office on the third floor.

The following were chosen as officers of the manual arts round table of the Kansas State Teachers' association for the coming year: H. H. Braucher, chairman, Emporia; T. H. Wood, vice chairman, Hays; J. F. Parks, secretary and treasurer.

The fire department was called to the home of N. H. Wolfe, 914 Huntington street, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. Some clothing in a closet caught fire when Mrs. Wolfe lighted a match in the closet. The damage was slight and was fully covered by insurance.

The contract will be awarded soon for the remodeling of the entrance to the Commerce building. A plate glass frame store front will be installed and quarters for a cigarstand arranged. Frank Squires has been drawing the plans for the improvements, and the bids are already in.

An agricultural round table was organized before the adjournment of the Kansas teachers. Prof. L. E. Call of the State Agricultural college was chosen as president of the organization. Frank McClure, agricultural teacher in the Columbus high school was the chosen secretary.

The plans for the remodeling of the residence at the corner of Fifth and Polk streets will be ready about Nov. 10. The house will be turned into a flat building with four apartments, and will be the first of four flat buildings which will be constructed on this property for Dr. L. H. Munn.

The federal attorney's office force will leave Sunday for Fort Scott to attend the session of the United States district court in that city. Fred Robertson, United States district attorney; Francis Brady, his assistant; William Kinkel, chief clerk; United States Marshal John Harrison; Deputy Marshals Fleniken and Morton Albaugh, clerk of the court, will go to Fort Scott.

The order of service at Grace Cathedral, Eighth and Taylor streets, Sunday will be: Holy communion at 7:30, Sunday school at 8:30, morning prayer at 11, and sermon, "An Appreciation of Life," by Dean Kaye. Afternoon service at 4:30, address by Dean Kaye. Sunday school at 8:30, morning prayer at 11, and sermon, "An Appreciation of Life," by Dean Kaye. Afternoon service at 4:30, address by Dean Kaye. Sunday school at 8:30, morning prayer at 11, and sermon, "An Appreciation of Life," by Dean Kaye.

The Cathedral club football team is playing Rossville high school this afternoon at Rossville. Following is the probable lineup for the Cathedral club, according to Carl Henderson, coach: Smith, left end; Blakely, left tackle; Price, left guard; Dean, right end; McKeever, Shakeshaft, right tackle; Kiene, right guard; Quigley, center; Hooper, right half; Stewart, Kansas left half; Perry, fullback, and Kouns, quarterback.

Great credit is due Prof. J. W. Seaton, head of the publicity committee of the Kansas State Teachers' association, and Prof. N. A. Crawford, his assistant, for the manner in which they assisted the newspapers of Topeka and elsewhere in reporting the meetings of the association. Both of these men are experienced in publicity work, and consequently they were able to turn out a large amount of readable copy.

BREAK IN COTTON.

Drop of 23 a Bale Follows the Government Report.

New York, Nov. 2.—A break of 23 per bale, followed the publication of the official ginning figures in the cotton market this morning. January contracts touched 12 1/2 under heavy selling, much of which seemed to come from southern sources. The report of the census bureau showed 5,850 bales ginned to November 1.

While this was smaller than ginning to the corresponding date in either of two preceding seasons, it was in excess of expectations based on recent private figures, and the selling movement was supposed to reflect increased confidence in the larger estimates of the yield.

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The "35-4" at \$1085 and \$1225

Four-cylinder motor, bloc-cast; 111-inch wheel base, 32x4 1/2 tires all round. Left hand drive, center control. Electric starter and lights at \$1225. Three-quarter elliptic springs. Bruce Ott body ventilating wind shield and full equipment, including jiffy storm curtains.

The "25-4" at \$750

The year's sensation. Four-cylinder motor, bloc-cast; Bosch magneto; weight 1650 pounds; 103-inch wheel base; 30x3 1/2 tires all round; 3 speed cumulative transmission; full 5-passenger body designed by Bruce Ott complete equipment, including wind shield, top and jiffy storm curtains.

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